ARLINGTON REDEVELOPMENT BOARD



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September 2021 through June 2022

as approved on 9/27/21

I. ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENTS

1) Advance Zoning Bylaw amendments to future Town Meetings

- i. Action Encourage development and redevelopment opportunities to generate a full range of housing options for all incomes and housing types and encourage mixed-use development, and new commercial development
 - a) Complete and adopt Housing Production Plan update. Advance discussions about zoning amendments.
 - b) Action Consider zoning amendments to encourage commercial development along the Massachusetts Ave and Broadway corridors.
 - c) Action Review and amend zoning in Arlington Heights business districts to align with recommendations in Arlington Heights Neighborhood Action Plan as appropriate.
- ii. Action Review and consider Net Zero Action Plan zoning recommendations
- iii. Action Review and consider Connect Arlington (Long-Range Transportation Plan) zoning recommendations
- iv. Action Review forthcoming stormwater management plan and consider potential zoning recommendations

II. LONG-RANGE PLANNING

1) Review progress on implementation of the Master Plan

- i. Action Adopt formal amendments to Master Plan based upon recent completion of Connect Arlington and provide amended Master Plan to DHCD accordingly.
- ii. Action Direct Master Plan Implementation Committee to provide ARB with an update on implementation status, status of all Working/Study Groups, and make recommendations on modifications/ updates that might be needed
- iii. Action Participate on Town Economic Development Working Group (to be formed) to advance economic development goals and objectives.

2) Ensure transparent, welcoming, and efficient permit review and delivery system

i. Action – In alignment with Town effort to modernize permitting processes, convene representatives from the Select Board, Conservation Commission, Historical Commission, Historic Districts Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Board of Health

3) Ensure that Master Plan economic development goals and recommendations are achieved in Arlington's business districts

- i. Action DPCD Director will provide quarterly updates on progress meeting goals, including planning goals, business retention and attraction goals, and new mixed-used development
- 4) Request appropriation to hire consultant to update Arlington's Design Standards

III. URBAN RENEWAL PLANS AND POWERS

1) Consider transitioning management of ARB-managed properties back to the Town

i. Action -Work with Town Counsel on filing appropriate warrant article to transition properties.

2) Utilize Urban Renewal Authority powers

i. Action: Work with Town Counsel to explore urban renewal options in Arlington Center and at

- site-specific locations along main commercial corridors
- ii. Action: Provide updates to Board on Symmes Urban Renewal Plan and property when appropriate (Arlington 360 and Brightview and adjacent conservation properties)

IV. SUPPORT COMMUNITY PLANNING GOALS

- 1) Participate in range of Town committees and initiatives that advance community planning goals
 - i. Action Appoint/ re-appoint committee members serving on ARB committees and ARB designees to committees.
 - ii. Action Collaborate with committee implementing Arlington Heights Action Plan
 - iii. Action Receive updates from ARB designees to Envision Arlington Standing Committee, Open Space Committee, Housing Plan Implementation Committee, Community Preservation Committee, Master Plan Implementation Committee, Remote Participation Committee, and others on an ongoing basis.